

NEW YORK TO GET FIRST CHANCE AT RITCHIE NOV. 10

Serious Test in Store for Lightweight Champion When He Meets Leach Cross, Who is Experienced 10-Rounder.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—New York will have its first glimpse of the lightweight champion, Willie Ritchie, in action, Nov. 10, and just what kind of an impression Ritchie will make upon the eastern fight followers remains to be seen. Ritchie and Leach Cross are to clash in a 10-round bout. Ritchie, according to what has been flashed across the wires, has unlimited reliance in his ability to handle young Mr. Cross in a masterly manner. As Willie occupies the proud position of king of the lightweights, he could hardly be expected to talk in any other strain. In deference to his training station a champion has to radiate confidence as an emery wheel emits sparks. If he failed to do so the public would slacken up its hero worship and it may be the man to be seen in the ring will come with that feeling of awe which from time immemorial the under-dog is supposed to labor under when he finds himself in the presence of pugilistic royalty.

Hard Test For Ritchie.
Apart from all that, however, Willie Ritchie is a thinking individual and he probably recognizes that the coming test will prove a serious one. To begin with, Leach Cross has specialized over the 10-round distance and is thoroughly at home in a bout of that length. He has started on so many 10-round journeys that he knows—or should know—how fast he can rate himself without overtaxing his condition.

This is something that works both ways. It enables a man to tell if the other fellow is crowding on more than he will be able to carry. Fortified with powers of discernment of this kind, a man who knows the short bout game from A to Z can contrive to keep something in reserve, and make it decidedly uncomfortable for an opponent who has fought himself into a state of weariness.

Leach is Tricky.
Then again Leach is a tricky fellow. In the matter of sending in a stinging punch when least expected, he is a veritable surprise package. There is no particular continuity to his work as he shows to poor advantage occasionally against mediocre boxers and performs brilliantly in high class company. He is not to be gauged by what he did in his last battle or the one before and he sandwiches good showings in amongst bad in such a way that the highest tribute one can pay him is to pronounce him a dangerous man.

While Willie Ritchie is to all intents and purposes a product of San Francisco's four-round phase of boxing, it cannot be said that he shows to advantage over short distances. Maybe the coming bout with Cross will mark the beginning of a new order of things so far as Ritchie is concerned. Far be it from the writer to disclose any man's scheme of battle, but as Willie has made public property of his system, no confidences are betrayed in this special instance.

Warning For Leach.
Just watch out, Leach, if Willie comes into the ring with his face flushed and his forehead moist with perspiration depend upon it he has had a spirited set-to with one of his aides back in the dressing room. It was the fight with Rivers that convinced Willie he would have been the better for a little warm-up prior to taking the ring. It also convinced the spectators that Ritchie is slow to get going. It did more. It made fellows who had bet heavily on Ritchie feel for a while that they had barked up the wrong tree.

Little wonder, for of all the bedraggled world's champions that were ever seen Ritchie was the worst in the early rounds of that match. His knees hit the ground, his hair came down over his eyes and his head snapped this way and that under Rivers' pestering fire. But Rivers gave out and it came all right after awhile.

Wasted No Time on Ad.
The four-round bout with Ad Wolgast was about the only match in which Ritchie got to work quickly. He staggered Wolgast with a right to the score that it was Wolgast's first essay after his operation, the argument being that Ad at the time was more a subject for a sanitarium than the prize ring.

In his match with Joe Mandot at New Orleans, Ritchie was very late in putting in his best legs, and strike is more at home in long bouts than shorter ones.

Ritchie, albeit his ring work is not of the scintillating kind, is a hard man to down. He is game beyond question, although you might not think so on account of the extreme caution he displays in making of matches. He has far greater assimilative powers than might be supposed after making a study of his facial characteristics, and he has shown that he can stand all kinds of wear and tear and still retain a stiffening right hand punch.

WABASH WON'T GIVE UP CLAIM TO STATE TITLE

Independent Eleven Asserts A. A. Has 34-0 Victory Over Muncie Club.

WABASH, Ind., Oct. 29.—The Wabash Athletic association football team, which was defeated at Muncie Sunday by a score of 27 to 20, refuses to surrender the state championship to the Congersville Athletic club because of the fact that in September of this season the Muncie team was defeated here by a score of 24 to 6. An effort will be made on the part of the local organization to play a post-season game with the Congersville team on neutral grounds. Billy Milliner, captain of the W. A. A., who was badly injured in Sunday's game, will submit to an operation as the result of having his cheek bone crushed in the game.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 29.—Tom Brown, a Vanderbilt tackle, suffered a broken bone in his foot and a torn cartilage in his neck in Saturday's game with Michigan. It developed Tuesday. He will be disabled until Thanksgiving day at least.

IF YOU HAVE A SON PLAYING FOOTBALL YOU MIGHT AS WELL ACCEPT THE INEVITABLE.—By Goldberg.



BOWLING SCORES.

C. A. C. LEAGUE.				
COLTS—				
Cover	165	159	192	516
Harlin	184	151	198	533
Tuttle	147	145	171	463
Collip	153	175	230	558
Hausan	240	169	152	562
Handicap	42	42	42	126
Totals	931	832	985	2748
SINGERS—				
Collins	173	161	135	469
Marshall	172	143	165	479
Parshall	173	118	129	420
Planagan	167	145	161	473
Pryne	155	140	190	485
Handicap	122	122	122	366
Totals	908	829	902	2639

STUDEBAKER LEAGUE.				
HUBS—				
W. K. Studebaker	144	118	146	408
W. H. Studebaker	164	161	132	457
Hobbs	155	149	197	501
Itab	152	181	194	497
Schafer	142	127	138	407
Handicap	163	163	163	489
Totals	948	905	966	2819
AXLES—				
Fulmer	129	168	141	438
McCarthy	136	174	130	440
O'Donnell	125	131	129	385
Barrett	134	158	139	431
Dalton	149	128	132	409
Handicap	163	163	163	489
Totals	836	922	834	2592

ANTLERS LEAGUE.				
TUSKS—				
Phint	180	98	119	397
Goldy	114	163	122	399
Mountain	119	137	112	368
Casmer	197	190	211	598
Mason	193	184	198	575
Handicap	151	151	151	453
Total	956	923	913	2792
BLKS—				
Schnelle	157	157	170	484
Dennis	181	167	141	489
VanKirk	182	183	194	559
Brown	109	150	111	370
Holland	193	193	160	546
Handicap	74	74	74	222
Total	976	948	862	2786

ELKS LEAGUE.				
HORNS—				
Elbel	147	167	151	465
Fulton	96	96	81	273
Followell	115	168	124	407
Brown	109	150	111	370
J. Horn	129	102	149	380
Handicap	241	241	241	723
Totals	832	924	851	2613
STAGS—				
Yena	162	135	125	422
King	145	121	148	414
Goetz	109	107	124	339
Klingel	140	165	203	408
Martin	141	201	165	507
Handicap	218	218	218	654
Totals	925	948	983	2856

CHRISTY MATHEWSON IS DEFEATED BY JOHNSON

White Sox Beat Giants With Peerless Walter on Mound—Matty Chased in Fourth.

TULSA, Okla., Oct. 29.—Walter Johnson, pitching for the Chicago White Sox, opposed Christy Mathewson here Tuesday and the White Sox won over the New York Giants, 6 to 0. Johnson held the Giants to eight scratch hits, striking out eight and walking one. Mathewson was taken out after he allowed two doubles and a single in the fourth inning. Wiltse, who succeeded Mathewson, was pounded freely. The game was played in a snow storm.

MANY ARE HURT WHEN BLEACHERS COLLAPSE

Score Seriously Injured in Accident During Giants-White Sox Exhibition at Tulsa.

TULSA, Okla., Oct. 29.—More than a score of persons were seriously hurt and twice as many received minor injuries when a portion of the bleachers collapsed during a ball game between the New York Nationals and Chicago Americans here Monday afternoon. No one was killed outright but it is believed that several of the injured will die. The collapse came without warning and a section of the bleachers 30 feet in length went down, precipitating men, women and children a distance of 15 feet below.

ILLUSTRATIONS OF FOOTBALL PRINCIPLES.



STATE FOOTBALL NEWS

WABASH. CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Oct. 29.—Coach Thurber sent his men through only a light workout to limber up the sore spots received in the Rose Poly game at Terre Haute Saturday.

The team came through the game remarkably well, only one man, Coffing, being seriously hurt. The men are feeling very optimistic over future prospects and a great deal of the old "pep" was in evidence. The fighting spirit, which has been lacking so far this season, is now back to stay. Wabash rooters assert that the game with Rose Poly developed a phenom who promises to be the equal of the great "Skeet" Lambert at the quarter back position. "Bee" Pfahl is the player. He is the same type of player that Lambert was, a great open field runner and a good field general. Although light, Pfahl is hard to tackle because of his dodging ability. In the Rose Poly game Pfahl was the most consistent ground gainer for the Scarlet eleven and he made the only touchdown for Wabash after an end run of about 35 yards. He is also a drop kicker, but as yet has not been given the opportunity to make good in this line.

INDIANA. BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Oct. 29.—Indiana's initial practice of the week held on Jordan field this afternoon following the hard-fought game with Illinois Saturday included a scrimmage with the freshmen eleven. Before the workout started Head Coach Sheldon gave the men an earnest talk in which he reviewed all the miscues in the Sucker contest, and told members of the squad that the team lacked that final "punch" to clinch a victory. Scott, the full back, and Worsley, a tackle, were the only men injured at Indianapolis who were unfit for work. Scott will not get back in the Ohio State game at Columbus next Saturday, but Worsley expects to rejoin the squad later in the week. Johnson, whose collar bone

was broken in the DePauw contest, has recovered and will likely play full against the Buckeyes. Capt. Ed Davis and B. Whitaker continue to improve and Davis, it is thought, will be able to take his old position in the season's final game with Purdue.

FRANKLIN. FRANKLIN, Ind., Oct. 29.—Coach John Thurber put the football squad through a hard practice this afternoon despite a muddy field. Practically every one is responding to Coach Thurber's desire to give his brother's understudies at Wabash the game of their lives. The team is working toward that end. In practice this afternoon Veld was shifted to half back and Nandivier was given a try-out at running the team. Payne, who was hurt in the Butler game, came out tonight and took his place at tackle. New formations were given to the team and the blue and gold expects to uncover a new style of play against Wabash. Hard practice every afternoon this week will be the order and it is expected that Coach Thurber will also have blackboard work at night.

EARLEHAM. RICHMOND, Ind., Oct. 29.—The "peppery" spirit which marked the Quakers' comeback Saturday when they held Butler to a nothing to nothing score, marked the practice on Field field. About 30 men were out, including all of the regulars, with the exception of Williams, who is on crutches as a result of the Butler game. There was no scrimmage on account of the heavy rain and early darkness, but a stiff signal practice in which the ball was carried half the length of the field at each down gave the men a thorough workout.

CAPRON QUITS BASEBALL. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Oct. 29.—Ralph Capron, former University of Minnesota football star, and who has also won considerable fame on the baseball diamond, his quit athletics for good, he says, to engage in the real estate business in Minneapolis. His brother George, also well known to the athletic world, is his partner in the business.

HANS WAGNER IS FAR FROM BEING ALL IN

Bonesetter Reese Says Great Pirate Player's Only Danger is Adverse Criticism.

About every baseball fan in the country has heard of "Bonesetter" Reese, the one big man in the country who cures baseball players of bum muscles and broken bones. Reese in the past 10 or 15 years has cured more ball-players than all the doctors in the country, yet this same Reese does not know any of the men by name.

Dr. Reese repaired the injured arms and legs of hundreds of major league ball players. Still, he doesn't believe that the public, especially the baseball public, is interested. "I know very few ball players," said Dr. Reese recently. "While it is true enough that I have treated hundreds of them, I rarely ask a player's name. In fact, I haven't asked a man's name since 1908. That's a long time, you know. I have been to but one baseball game in four years. That was this spring, when I attended the opening game in Pittsburgh. I went there at the earnest request of Barney Dreyfuss, president of the Pittsburgh club."

"He wanted me to be there because I had treated Hans Wagner, but a short time before. And, by the way, Hans is far from being 'all in' as a major league player. His leg is just as strong as it ever was and there is no reason—unless the great player succumbs to the criticism of the masses—why Hans should not continue in the game for some years. His muscles show no sign of exhaustion, but there is a grave fear in my mind that Hans will sink before the adverse comment of the newspapers."

HERZOG MAY RETIRE. NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—If there is any truth in the rumor that Charley Herzog, intermittent third baseman of the Giants, is to be included in a deal with St. Louis for Edward Konosky, the long first-sacker, baseball may have seen the last of the Maryland cantaloupe grower. Friends of Herzog believe he would promptly retire.



"DODE" PASKERT RUNS DOWN BOY WITH AUTO

Philie Outfielder is Not Blamed for Accident But Held on Speeding Charge.

CLEVELAND, O., Oct. 29.—George H. ("Dode") Paskert, outfielder of the Philadelphia National league team, ran down and fatally injured John Ferrie, 12, late Tuesday while driving his automobile through a crowded street in front of a department store, where the boy was employed. The boy's skull was fractured and doctors say he cannot live. Traffic police reported that Paskert was not to blame for the accident, but later he was taken to police headquarters and held on a charge of violating the speed ordinance.

Paskert was released on \$500 bail furnished by his mother.

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SOUTH BEND BOY EXPECTED TO GET INTO ARMY GAME

Voelkers Used in Varsity Signal Practice at Notre Dame. Men Rounding Into Top Form for Saturday.

"Get some fight." "hit him lower in there." "charge faster you line-men" are samples of the yells of the Notre Dame coaches who are making desperate efforts to whip the gold and blue eleven into trim for the big battle with the Army Saturday. Harper worked his men till dark yesterday in a stiff line scrimmage and then though it was barely possible to see the ball the first and second teams ran signals till supper time. In the evening the squad assembled in the gymnasium and put in another hour's workout by electric light.

After a short warming up in the gymnasium yesterday afternoon, the squad adjourned to Carter field where the coaches immediately ordered line scrimmage that lasted for 25 minutes. Jones and Roekne, regular tackle and end, were again kept out of play. These men are in perfect condition and, as they know the game from A to Z, no chances will be taken on injuring them before the West Point contest, Gushurst, Mills and Novers worked at the ends.

Yesterday's line scrimmage brought out some surprises in regard to the work of the substitutes and the problem of picking the second string men for the West Point trip will not be a simple one. Voelkers displayed the form of a veteran at guard and kept the opposing guard and tackle hustling to hold him out. The husky South Bend product was sent to the first team in signal practice and he will probably break into the center. Cook is another man who is likely to see service in the tilt with the soldiers. He is doing wonders at the tackle position and will be capable of fitting in on the line if any of the regulars are forced out of the fight.

Sharp and King are also coming faster every day. The daily line scrimmages have developed the fighting qualities in these men and both are making the regulars hustle for their places. Keefe and Fitzgerald, the varsity guards, are using their size and strength to good advantage and, with Peeney between them at center, the middle of the gold and blue line is well cared for. Latrope is a fast and shifty man at tackle and managed to get around the end and to be in on the halfback on every play.

Directly following the line scrimmage the first and second teams opposed each other in a 15 minute punting drill. Dorais did all the kicking for the regulars, while Bergmann and Bush ran the ball back for the scrubs. The varsity line charged with plenty of snap and tore down the field like sprinters. Not only the ends but, even the guards and tackles, were on the scrub backs before they could advance the ball.

The speed of Roekne and Gushurst was marvelous. In these two men Notre Dame has a pair of ends that will stop the footing of blinks in the country. Gushurst has developed into a wonderful wingman and his hard low tackling makes his star running mate travel to retain first honors. Both men circled the scrub defense and frequently nailed the man returning punts for little or no gain. Cook and Peeney were also down in fast time and their tackles were as sure as those of their teammates at the ends.

Coach Harper is very uncertain over the outcome of Saturday's game. "We will probably have our strongest team of the season to send against the Army," he observed yesterday. "but as the strength of the soldiers is unknown to me, I am preparing my eleven to meet the best team in the country. The West Pointers turn out brilliant teams and if hard work counts for anything, I think we will have a show. Our men have got to realize that they are going up against a fast aggregation and they will have to fight every minute to pull out a winner."

HART DIRECTS TIGERS. PRINCETON, N. J., Oct. 29.—A brisk signal drill constituted the first practice for the Princeton football eleven after Saturday's game with Dartmouth. All the men were in good condition and seemed to enjoy their work under the direction of Eddie Hart, captain of the Tiger championship team of 1911. It was Hart's first appearance on the field here as a director of practice.

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